

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1 to 18, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please add new Claims 19 to 21 to read as follows:

Claims 1 to 18 (Cancelled).

--19. (New) A display apparatus comprising:

a display device;

a driver IC that applies drive signals to the display device;

a film carrier provided with input-side outer leads and output-side outer leads arranged to be connected to the driver IC; and

a bus board that supplies signals to the input-side outer leads,

wherein said film carrier further is provided with a dummy lead positioned between an edge of the film carrier and the most outside input-side and output-side outer leads, the dummy lead being arranged without electrical connection to said driver IC, and wherein an alternating voltage is applied to the dummy lead.

20. (New) The display apparatus according to Claim 19, comprising at least a first dummy lead and a second dummy lead, the first dummy lead being positioned between a first edge of the film carrier and the corresponding most outside one of the input-side outer leads and most outside one of the output-side outer leads, and the second dummy lead being positioned between a second edge of the film carrier and the

corresponding other most outside one of the input-side outer leads and most outside other one of the output-side outer leads.

21. (New) The display apparatus according to Claim 19, wherein said display device is one selected from among a group consisting of a liquid crystal display device, a plasma display device, an electrochromic display device and an electron-emission display device.--